

Issue: 07-33



Crop Weather Report

Issued: Weekly: Apr-Oct Monthly: Nov-Mar Montana Field Office - 10 W 15th St, Suite 3100 - Helena, MT 59626 (406) 441-1240 - (406) 441-1250 FAX - www.nass.usda.gov/mt

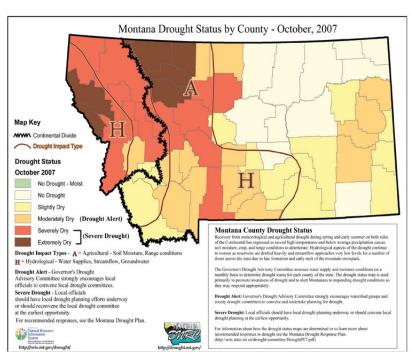
Released: Oct. 22, 2007 For the Week Ending: Oct. 21, 2007

Weather Summary

Montana experienced above normal temperatures for the week ending October 21st. Temperatures were similar to the previous week with highs in the 60s to 70s and lows in the 20s and 30s. Great Falls and Fort Assinniboine shared the weekly high temperature of 72 degrees, and West Yellowstone had the low of 14 degrees. The state received moderate amounts of precipitation. Bozeman received 1.18 inches of moisture, the most for the week. Wisdom received 0.72 of an inch on October 19th breaking the previous daily precipitation record for that day of 0.55 of an inch set in 1963. Topsoil moisture adequate and surplus is 57 percent, below last week's 58 percent and last year's 79 percent, but above the five-year average of 46 percent. Subsoil moisture adequate and surplus, at 35 percent, is unchanged from last week, but below last year's 40 percent and above the five-year average of 25 percent. There were 5.9 days suitable for fieldwork compared to 5.4 days the previous week.

The weather outlook for October 29th through November 4th is for below normal temperatures and above normal precipitation both east and west of the continental divide. Normal temperatures for this period in Montana are highs in the lower 40s to the lower 50s and lows in the upper teens to the lower 30s.

Soil Moisture & Fieldwork Table	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Yr Avg					
Topsoil Moisture	•								
Very Short	5	8	5	23					
Short	38	34	16	31					
Adequate	55	54	68	43					
Surplus	2	4	11	3					
Subsoil Moisture									
Very Short	23	27	19	39					
Short	42	38	41	36					
Adequate	34	34	39	24					
Surplus	1	1	1	1					
Days Suitable for Fieldwork									
Days	5.9	5.4	3.0	5.2					



Field Crops Report

There are only a few producers left planting winter wheat. Seventy-six percent of winter wheat has emerged, more than last year's 55 percent and the five-year average of 69 percent. Safflower is almost all harvested. Farmers continue to harvest potatoes and sugar beets. Reports indicate sugar content of beets harvested is below average. Corn conditions remain better than last year.

This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Yr Avg	
96	91	93	97	
76	55	55	69	
98	94	95	n/a	
33	15	13	n/a	
	96 76 98	Week Week 96 91 76 55 98 94	Week Week Year 96 91 93 76 55 55 98 94 95	

Crop Condition Table	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Yr Avg	
Corn					
Very Poor	0	1	5	n/a	
Poor	4	4	4	n/a	
Fair	10	12	16	n/a	
Good	71	65	53	n/a	
Excellent	15	18	22	n/a	
Winter Wheat					
Very Poor	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Poor	8	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Fair	44	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Good	46	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Excellent	2	n/a	n/a	n/a	

Livestock Report

Ranchers are increasing the number of livestock receiving supplemental feed. Sixty-four percent of cattle and 71 percent of sheep have been moved from summer ranges. Range and pasture feed conditions have declined slightly from the previous week.

Livestock Table	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 Yr Avg						
Range and Pasture Feed Condition										
Very Poor	16	14	11	22						
Poor	20	18	25	26						
Fair	36	40	41	32						
Good	24	23	18	17						
Excellent	4	5	5	3						
Moved From Summ	er Range	es								
Cattle and Calves	64	63	72	71						
Sheep and Lambs	71	70	72	72						
Receiving Supplemental Feed										
Cattle and Calves	14	11	11	15						
Sheep and Lambs	13	11	9	n/a						

Weather Information for the Week ending 10/21/2007

	n for the week ending 10/21/2007							Precipitation					
Station ID	Temperature GDDs Hi LOW AVG B50 DFN		This Week Total DFN		April 1 to Date Total DFN %NRM			October 1 to Date Total DFN %NRM					
NORTHWEST Alberton	67	31	45	1	+1	0.41	+0.27	7.56	-0.73	91	0.97	+0.43	180
Anaconda	66	27	40	Ó	+0	0.41	+0.27	11.97	-0.73 +0.98	109	1.11	+0.43	156
Clinton	66	31	45	0	+0	0.45	+0.31	10.27	+1.98	124	0.98	+0.44	181
Corvallis	66	31	43	0	+0	0.70	+0.56	6.56	-1.54	81	1.00	+0.44	179
Creston Deer Lodge	62 67	26 26	42 40	0	+0 +0	0.41 0.42	+0.15 +0.28	7.47 8.79	-5.08 +0.50	60 106	0.56 0.87	-0.28 +0.41	67 189
Drummond	70	26	41	ŏ	+0	0.42	+0.24	10.20	+1.09	112	1.17	+0.56	192
Hamilton	64	30	45	0	+0	0.69	+0.55	6.98	-1.12	86	0.92	+0.36	164
Kalispell	65	25	45	0	+0	0.22	+0.06	7.04	-2.49	74	0.75	+0.18	132
Missoula Olney	65 63	34 22	47 39	4 0	+4 +0	0.37 0.51	+0.23 +0.23	6.21 6.28	-2.08 -5.25	75 54	0.58 1.54	+0.04 +0.70	107 183
Polson	58	32	44	ŏ	+0	0.44	+0.23	9.61	-3.23 -1.16	89	0.76	+0.05	103
St Ignatius	62	33	45	0	+0	0.15	-0.06	8.81	-2.37	79	0.45	-0.31	59
Seeley Lake	66	27	44	0	+0	0.41	+0.13	6.93	-3.15	69	0.73	-0.10	88
Sula Superior	69 66	25 31	41 47	0 6	+0 +5	0.94 0.33	+0.68 +0.05	11.77 10.68	+0.98 +1.91	109 122	1.63 1.27	+0.81 +0.50	199 165
Swan Lake	64	28	42	ŏ	+0	0.80	+0.31	11.45	-2.30	83	1.23	-0.15	89
Thompson Falls	67	34	47	4	+2	0.63	+0.27	8.92	-1.25	88	1.93	+0.92	191
West Glacier	63	28	43	0	+0	0.69	+0.25	11.67	-2.88	80	2.41	+1.12	187
NORTH CENTRAL Chester	68	29	46	1	-6	0.04	-0.03	6.80	-1.71	80	0.34	+0.06	121
Chinook	66	29 27	46	2	-6 -5	0.04	-0.03 -0.07	10.25	+0.14	101	0.54	+0.00	129
Choteau	69	28	45	1	-13	0.23	+0.16	6.34	-2.58	71	1.03	+0.71	322
Cut Bank	66	30	45	0	-5	0.08	+0.01	5.22	-4.56	.53	0.77	+0.45	241
Ft Assinniboine	72 68	29 29	48 46	3 1	-8 -12	0.02 0.13	-0.12 -0.05	10.01 9.45	+0.50 -1.41	105	0.32 0.57	-0.18 -0.03	64 95
Fort Benton Goldbutte	66	29 30	46 46	0	-12 -7	0.13	-0.05 -0.14	9.45	-1.41 -0.44	87 96	0.57	-0.03 +0.11	95 122
Harlem	65	22	46	2	-5	0.00	-0.12	10.31	+0.80	108	0.48	+0.01	102
Havre	71	27	48	7	+0	0.02	-0.09	9.78	+1.18	114	0.22	-0.21	51
Malta	63	27	48 45	1	-5	0.00	-0.14	11.29	+0.81	108	0.93	+0.45	194
Rudyard Shelby	64 71	28 27	45 45	0	-11 -8	0.00 0.07	-0.14 -0.02	10.29 7.15	-0.76 -3.01	93 70	0.13 0.57	-0.42 +0.18	24 146
Turner	61	24	46	ő	-6	0.01	-0.02	9.20	-1.28	70 88	0.57	+0.09	119
Valier	69	30	45	1	-7	0.18	+0.09	8.43	-1.73	83	1.11	+0.72	285
NORTHEAST	00	00	4.4			0.04	0.40	40.00	. 0. 00	400		. 0. 0.1	000
Bredette Culbertson	62 64	29 24	44 45	0 0	-4 -5	0.01 0.00	-0.13 -0.16	13.26 11.89	+2.86 +0.08	128 101	1.41 1.01	+0.91 +0.37	282 158
Glasgow	62	2 4 29	45 47	3	-5 -4	0.00	-0.10 -0.13	13.12	+4.02	144	1.42	+0.37	309
Glendive	68	32	50	10	+0	0.00	-0.14	11.68	+0.50	104	0.93	+0.38	169
Jordan	66	26	47	4	-4	0.12	-0.02	13.66	+3.06	129	1.52	+0.94	262
Nashua	65	25	47	1	-6	0.00	-0.14	15.13	+6.03	166	1.44	+0.98	313
Opheim Plentywood	60 63	23 24	43 45	0	+0 -2	0.00 0.00	-0.08 -0.14	11.79 15.56	+1.70 +5.13	117 149	0.82 1.35	+0.41 +0.84	200 265
St Marie	59	28	46	ŏ	-7	0.02	-0.12	10.69	+1.59	117	1.53	+1.07	333
Scobey	61	27	45	0	-4	0.00	-0.14	12.70	+2.30	122	1.38	+0.88	276
Sidney	64	30	47	1	-6	0.00	-0.20	12.09	+0.89	108	1.21	+0.54	181
Wolf Point CENTRAL	65	25	47	4	-3	0.01	-0.14	13.07	+0.86	107	1.05	+0.44	172
Cascade	70	21	43	0	-7	0.27	+0.07	11.73	-0.11	99	0.97	+0.25	135
Grass Range	64	28	45	0	-14	0.00	-0.21	16.31	+3.02	123	1.61	+0.91	230
Great Falls Harlowton	72 67	31 24	48 43	16	+3 -8	0.16 0.32	+0.00 +0.12	8.23 13.96	-2.69 +2.97	75 127	0.62 1.99	+0.04 +1.37	107 321
Helena	67	24 34	43 48	0 6	-o -1	0.32	+0.12	8.86	+2.97 +0.24	103	0.96	+0.50	209
Lewistown	65	30	46	3	-4	0.09	-0.16	13.53	-0.05	100	0.70	-0.11	86
Martinsdale	69	24	43	0	-7	0.00	-0.14	9.55	-0.93	91	0.78	+0.27	153
Neihart	69	26	43	2 4	-3	0.28	+0.00	17.07	+1.81	112	0.65	-0.29	69
Rogers Pass Roundup	70 66	29 27	45 47	3	-9 -14	0.17 0.09	+0.03 -0.12	12.09 13.96	+1.82 +3.73	118 136	0.89 1.49	+0.40 +0.80	182 216
Ryegate	66	27	45	ő	-2	0.00	-0.12	11.96	+1.74	117	1.19	+0.67	229
Stanford	68	30	45	2	-5	0.08	-0.13	11.93	-1.08	92	0.82	+0.16	124
Townsend	67	29	46	1	-7	0.46	+0.32	7.83	-1.08	88	0.92	+0.43	188
Valentine Wht Sulphur Spr	65 67	29 26	45 44	0 0	-10 +0	0.00 0.28	-0.14 +0.02	13.06 7.08	+1.37 -4.43	112 62	1.45 0.63	+0.93 -0.19	279 77
SOUTHWEST	5,	20	- T-T		. 0	0.20	. 0.02	7.00	¬. ⊤ ∪	02	0.00	0.10	- 11
Boulder	63	28	42	0	-6	0.26	+0.13	9.13	+0.11	101	0.82	+0.38	186
Bozeman	67 65	30	44	0	-7	1.18	+0.83	17.31	+3.48	125	2.81	+1.69	251
Butte Dillon	65 67	27 27	41 43	0 3	+0 -4	0.37 0.36	+0.23 +0.22	10.96 10.07	+1.71 +1.71	118 120	1.07 0.97	+0.58 +0.52	218 216
Ennis	70	25	43	3	- 4 -4	0.88	+0.22	11.94	+1.53	115	1.77	+1.09	260
Lakeview	60	26	40	0	+0	0.61	+0.33	7.92	-5.22	60	1.69	+0.81	192
W Yellowstone	63	14 15	39	0	+0	0.92	+0.64	9.34	-2.47	79 125	2.18	+1.32	253
Wisdom SOUTH CENTRAL	65	15	39	0	+0	1.10	+0.96	10.04	+2.01	125	1.28	+0.81	272
Billings	63	34	49	6	-10	0.62	+0.34	13.18	+2.73	126	2.18	+1.34	260
Cooke City	62	26	42	0	+0	0.55	+0.27	9.39	-5.35	64	1.55	+0.53	152
Gardiner	67 71	29 24	44 51	2	-9	0.59	+0.44 +0.71	5.41	-2.38	69	1.71	+1.14 +1.12	300
Hardin Huntley	71 69	34 28	51 47	13 5	+2 -3	0.99 0.50	+0.71 +0.29	11.74 12.81	+0.39 +2.08	103 119	2.05 1.90	+1.12 +1.17	220 260
Hysham	66	34	48	ő	-15	0.69	+0.48	13.39	+3.02	129	1.89	+1.14	252
Jóliet	64	29	45	0	-13	0.28	+0.00	12.05	+0.08	101	2.21	+1.24	228
Livingston	68	29	46	6	-8	0.63	+0.35	11.90	-0.27	98	1.94	+1.02	211
Nye Rapelje	65 66	26 28	45 46	0 1	-14 -9	0.20 0.05	-0.08 -0.23	13.28 17.35	+1.11 +5.89	109 151	2.31 1.72	+1.39 +0.87	251 202
SOUTHEAST	- 55	20	40	<u> </u>	-9	0.05	-0.23	17.00	. 0.03	131	1.72	. 0.07	202
Albion	69	28	44	2	-5	0.00	-0.21	13.39	+2.34	121	0.91	+0.21	130
Baker	65	24	44	6	-2	0.00	-0.20	13.66	+2.06	118	0.44	-0.25	64
Broadus Ekalaka	70 64	24 27	47 43	6 1	-1 -6	0.17 0.12	-0.04 -0.10	13.51 13.57	+3.02 +0.08	129 101	0.70 0.59	-0.03 -0.24	96 71
Miles City	69	27 28	43 49	10	-6 -1	0.03	-0.10 -0.18	9.31	-1.74	84	0.39	-0.24 -0.40	41
Plevna	66	20	44	2	-6	0.01	-0.19	12.55	+0.95	108	0.32	-0.37	46
		11111	O -1 - 1 -			-	- 1 -	004 400	0. GDD-G				